



NURSE AIDE CERTIFICATE

The health sector of Colorado's economy is growing and the demand for CNA's is growing rapidly along with it. The Red Rocks Community College Nurse Aide Program prepares the student for employment as a nurse aide in long term care facilities, home health care, hospice facilities, rehabilitation and hospitals. The Colorado State Board of Nursing approves this program and successful graduates are eligible to take the state certification exam.

This course includes basic nursing assistant procedures, skills, restorative services, patient care, safety, and emergency care. Students gain an understanding of the responsibilities involved in working with patients of all ages in both wellness and illness, issues of mental health, patient rights, and patient/family interactions.

A minimum of 107 hours of training is required. All courses are hybrid combining online content with an on-campus skills lab. Options for courses include an 8 week Friday or Saturday all day class and an accelerated 4 week class 3 days of the week.

Required Courses

NUA 101	Nurse Aide theory/Lab	4 Credits
NUA 170	Nurse Aide Clinical	1 Credit
(One 12 hour hospital clinical and two 8 hour long term care clinical are scheduled outside of classroom hours)		
Total Credits 5		

Acceptance Requirements:

- Display college level English comprehension by **one** of the following:
 - ✓ Completion of ENG 090 or CCR 092 or CCR 094 (grade C or higher)
 - ✓ English ACT of 18 or SAT of 440
 - ✓ Next Generation Accuplacer Writing score of 246 or higher
 - ✓ Successful completion of ESL 053 & 093 coursework
 - ✓ Students with a college degree of AA, AS or higher
- Ability to successfully pass a background check
- Ability to successfully pass a drug screen (commensurate with Red Rocks Community College drug policy)
- Have current CPR Certification – Basic Life Support for Health Care Providers through either the American Heart Association or American Red Cross
- Submit Statement from Health Care Provider form with all required vaccinations and TB test
(Documentation is required for all above)

Costs (Subject to change):

- In-State Tuition – **approximately** \$1,100.00 with COF applied
(For out-of-state tuition rates please contact Stephanie Powers -Stephanie.Powers@rrcc.edu for amount breakdown).
- See Additional Costs – **Page 8**

Additional costs include:

- CPR Certification
- Criminal Background Check /Drug Screen
- Vaccinations – Costs depend on Health Care Provider
- Colorado State Certification Exam
- Needed supplies:
 - ✓ Textbook
 - ✓ Burgundy Scrubs (required for clinical)
 - ✓ NUA Uniform Patch (required for clinical – available only in college bookstore)
 - ✓ Watch with a second hand

For a step by step Nurse Assistant enrollment process, please visit our website at:

www.rrcc.edu

Questions?

Contact Dan Macy 303-914-6016 or dan.macy@rrcc.edu

Or

Carmen Stephens 303-914-6081 or carmen.stephens@rrcc.edu

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You may also contact the Office for Civil Rights, U.S. Department of Education, Region VIII, Federal Office Building, 1244 North Speer Boulevard, Suite 310, Denver, CO 80204, telephone (303) 844-3417.



Nurse Aide

Admissions & Requirements

- ① Applicant must be 18 years of age or older. Apply for admission to Red Rocks Community College. Follow and complete the “**Easy Steps to become a RRCC Student**” at www.rccc.edu/admission.
- ② Make sure your RRCC account reflects one of the following:
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- ③ Once you receive your student I.D. number; enroll into your classes using [the Rock \(link is external\)](#), or visit the admissions office for assistance. For methods of payment, go to www.rccc.edu/tuition.
- ④ Once you have confirmation that you are registered for the class:
 - Must have proof of current Basic Life Support (BLS) for Health Care Providers Certification
 - Complete your Background Check/Drug Test. [You can complete the background check here \(link is external\)](#)(Select Red Rocks Community College/Nursing Assistant). If you have any questions regarding the background check, please contact Customer Experience department at 888.723.4263 ext. 7194 or reach them by email at customerexp.cu@castlebranch.com (link sends e-mail).
 - Complete your Statement of Health Care Provider that includes a TB Test, Flu Shot and all listed vaccinations. **"Statement of Health Care Provider"**.
- ⑤ Check off steps on the “[What to bring on the first day of class](#)” NUA 101 Student Checklist.

D2L Orientation-Student Information for using Desire2Learn
www.rccc.edu/online/d2lorientation.html

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Nurse Aide NUA 101/170 Student Check List

Here is a check list of items and documents that are **REQUIRED** for the **FIRST DAY OF YOUR NUA 101 CLASS:**

___ **Textbook** – Nursing Assistant, A Nursing Process BASICS, Hegner/Acello/Caldwell (only textbook is required, not the workbook)

___ **Current CPR Card** – **BLS for Health Care Providers** accredited through either the American Heart Association or American Red Cross

___ **Completed Statement of Health Care Provider form** that includes a TB Test, Flu Shot and all listed vaccinations.

[Statement of Health Care Provider](#) Form.

(If you do not have a health care provider you can contact the RRCC Student Health Clinic for costs and appointments).

___ **Completed Background Check/Drug Test -**

<http://cccs.castlebranch.com/>

(Click on Red Rocks Community College/Nursing Assistant and follow the directions for both the background check and drug screen. Please do this as soon as possible; it can take up to two weeks to process. The results will automatically be sent to the RRCC HR Department).

___ **Register for ExploreHealthCareers.org to explore the health industry, career assessments, find health programs and links to potential employers**

___ **Wear your Burgundy Scrubs, and have your NUA uniform patch ironed onto the right shoulder.** (Both are available for purchase in the college bookstore)

D2L Orientation-Student information for online class content

<http://www.rrcc.edu/online-learning/resource-center>



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Needed supplies:

- ✓ **Textbook**
- ✓ **Burgundy Scrubs (required for clinical)**
- ✓ **NUA Uniform Patch (required for clinical – Available only in college bookstore)**
- ✓ **Watch with a second hand**

Questions? Please contact Carmen Stephens
carmen.stephens@rrcc.edu or **303-914-6018**

PROGRAM: Nursing Assistants

Provide basic patient care under direction of nursing staff. Perform duties such as feed, bathe, dress, groom, or move patients, or change linens. May transfer or transport patients.



<p>Website</p> <p>Length of program</p> <p>Admittance to program</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • http://www.rccc.edu/nurse-aide • Options vary; 2 weeks to 8 weeks, then schedule Colorado state exam for certification • Completion of ENG 090 or CCR 092 or CCR 094 (grade C or higher), or English ACT of 18 or SAT of 440, or Accuplacer sentence skills of 95 or higher/ Reading skills of 80% or higher, or successful completion of ESL 053 & 093 coursework
<p>What would a high school student need to get started?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High school students can take NUA class but will need to be 18 years of age to complete nurse aide clinical • Will need to pass a background check, drug screen, have required immunizations have proof of current CPR for Healthcare Professionals
<p>Job availability/Job market</p> <p><i>(From Onet - http://www.onetonline.org)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Projected growth 2014 – 2024 – Dept. of Labor (O*Net.Org) indicates 30% annual growth in Colorado; about 930 available positions a year. • Colorado hourly salary: Low- \$10.70, Median – 14.19, and High \$18.22 • Colorado annual salary: Low -22,250, Median - \$29,510, and High \$38,630
<p>Career options</p> <p>Progression or pathway</p> <p>Types of Nurses</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Certified Nurse Aide (CNA), Patient Care Assistant (PCA), Patient Care Technician (PCT), Attendant, Psychiatric Attendant, Hospital Assistant, Home Health Aide, Hospice Aide • Licensed Practical Nurse, Registered Nurse, Nursing BSN, Nursing MS, Nursing PHD • Ambulatory Care, Cardiac Rehabilitation, Case Management, ER, Gastroenterology/Endoscopy, Genetics, Infection Control, Intravenous Therapy, Long-Term Care, Managed Care, Nephrology, Neuroscience, Oncology, Ophthalmic, OR (Perioperative), Orthopedic, Pediatric, Perinatal, Primary Care/Office, Psychiatric, Reconstructive Surgical, Rehabilitation, Respiratory, School, Sub acute Care, Telephone Triage, Transplant, Trauma

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Health Care Provider's Certification of New Student's Health

Instructions for Providers:

The person bearing this form has been extended an offer of admission to one of the following programs at Red Rocks Community College:

Registered Nurse (RN) Refresher
Nurse Aide
Phlebotomy
Medical Assisting

To matriculate in the program, it is necessary for the candidate to demonstrate that he or she is free of any medical conditions that could endanger the health or well-being of patients or other students, or prevent him/her from performing the physical tasks of emergency medical care. Generally, the following tasks are required:

- Ability to be fitted with a respirator mask in case of continued exposure to an airborne pathogen;
- Ability to lift, carry and balance heavy loads;
- Ability to interpret written and oral instructions, calculate weight and volumes ratios, and read small print, all under stressful situations;
- Ability to use good judgment and remain calm in high stress situations;
- Ability to function efficiently throughout an entire work shift;
- Good manual dexterity, with ability to perform tasks related to patient care.

At the expense of the student, please interview and examine this prospective student, and complete the form below. In the event that you feel the student does have a health condition which could endanger the health or well-being of patients, faculty or students, please discuss that condition with the student and instruct the student to call the appropriate program director as listed below for further instructions.

MOT Program Director:

Linda Pace 303-914-6084 linda.pace@rccc.edu

Phlebotomy:

Linda Pace 303-914-6084 linda.pace@rccc.edu

Nurse Aide:

Carmen Stephens 303-914-6081 carmen.stephens@rccc.edu

Please complete Health care form and have health provider sign and date.

Thank you!

Signature of student _____ Date _____

Name of patient: _____ Date of Birth: _____

I understand that the above-named patient has been tentatively extended an offer of admission to a health care training program.

Following an appropriate history and physical examination, it is my opinion that the above-named patient:

___ Does **not** have a health condition which could endanger the health or well-being of patients, faculty or students, including the patient himself/herself.

___ Does appear to have a health condition which could endanger the health or well-being of patients, faculty or students, including the patient himself/herself.

___ Is pregnant, but has permission to attend and clinicals and waive immunizations at this time.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

Please also provide documentation of the following tests/vaccinations:

1. Chicken pox or Varivax vaccination -- Date of illness or vaccination: _____

2. Tetanus/Tdap -- Date of last vaccination or booster: _____

(Must be within the last 10 years)

3. MMR -- Last vaccination or booster Date: _____ Date: _____

Students born after 1957: Dates of no fewer than two MMR vaccinations at least one month apart at age 12 months or older.

Student born before and during 1957: Age contracted or date of exposure to.

4. Tuberculosis Testing (PPD or Titer - less than one year old)

Date Tested: _____ Date Read: _____ Positive/Negative (circle one)

If **positive**, date re-tested: _____ Date Read: _____ Positive/Negative (circle one)

If **positive**, date of Chest X-Ray: _____

If **positive**, start date/end date of treatment: _____

5. Hepatitis B Vaccine (3-shot series)

Date 1st vaccine received _____ Titer Date (if applicable): _____

Date 2nd vaccine received _____ Results: _____

Date 3rd vaccine received _____

6. Seasonal Influenza Vaccine -- Date of vaccination: _____

Signature of provider

Date

Printed name of provider

Degree: MD, DO, PA, NP

Telephone number

Nurse Aide Program

Approximate Program Costs

The 2019 estimates below are only for Colorado residents with the reduction of Colorado Opportunity Fund (COF).

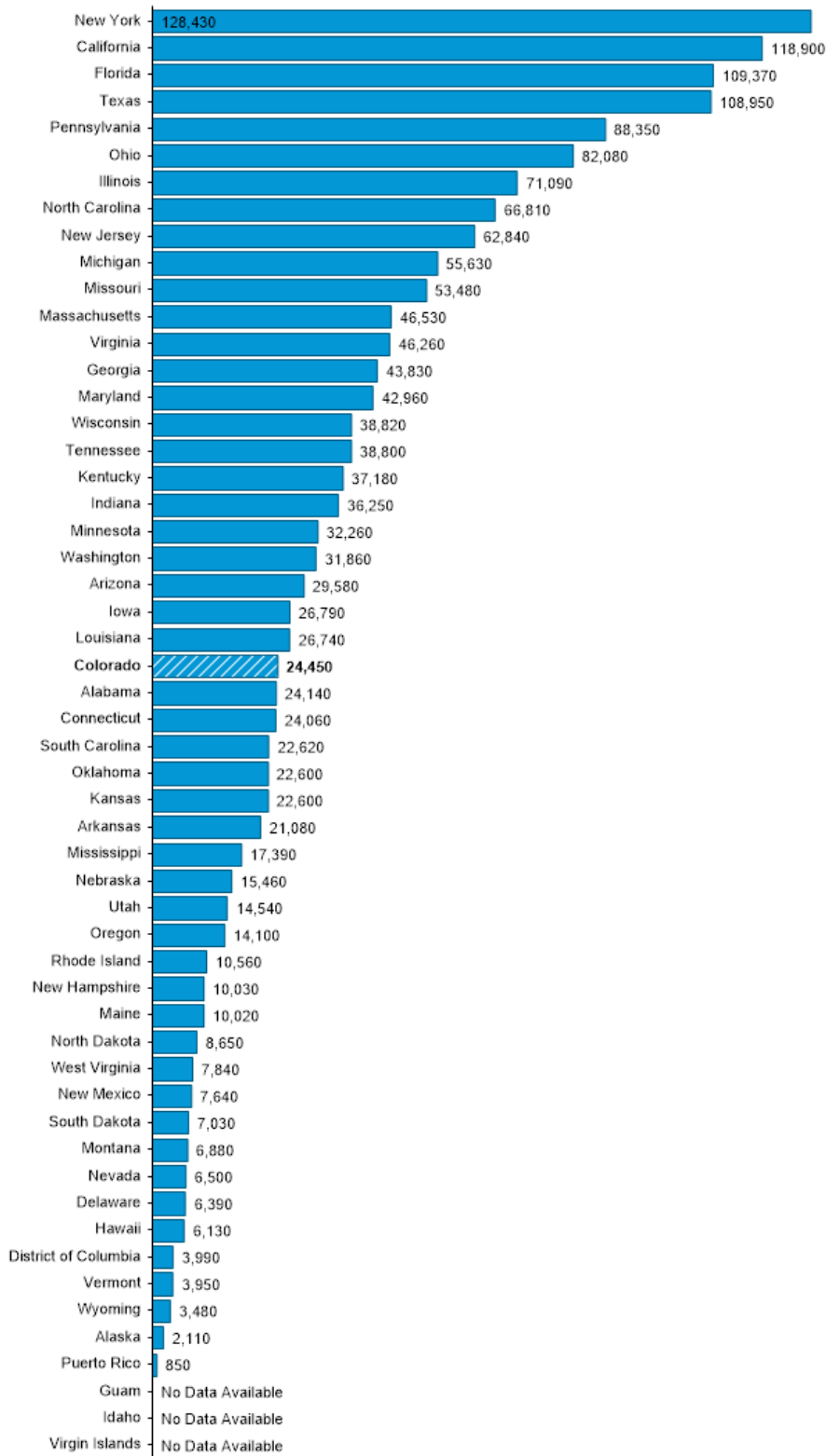
State Law requires an individual to be continuously domiciled in the state of Colorado for one year or more prior to the first day of class to be eligible for in-state tuition (COF).

TUITION RATES SUBJECT TO CHANGE*

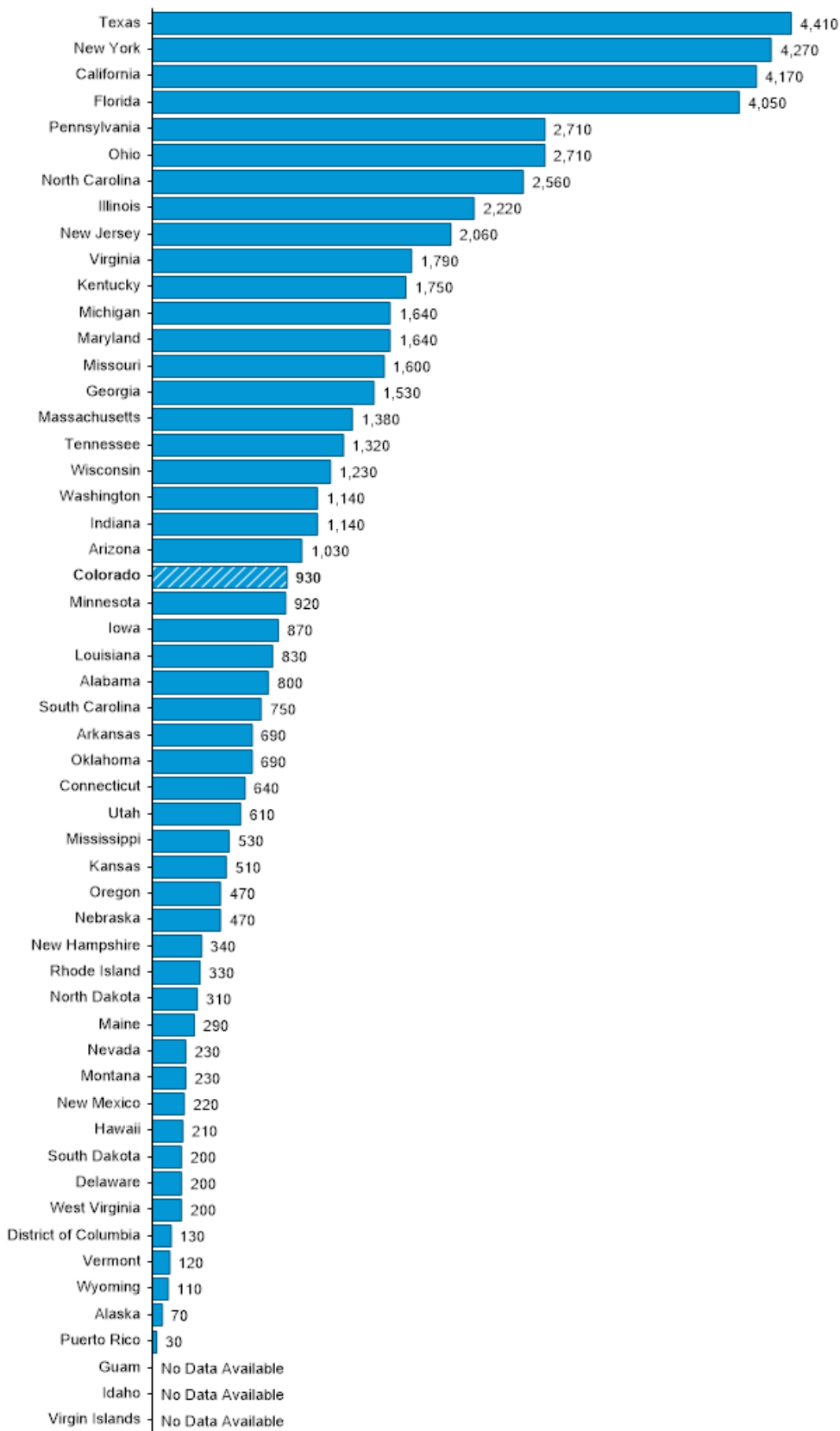
<u>Approximate</u> Tuition & Fees (subject to change. The rate used to calculate tuition is on-campus resident tuition with the reduction of COF.)	Amount
Nurse Aide Theory / Lab NUA 101	\$595.60
Nurse Aide Clinical NUA 170	\$148.90
Class Fees (Liability for Clinical)	\$8.50
Registration Fees (charged per semester)	\$203.23
Total Tuition & Fees	\$956.23
<u>Approximate Additional Costs</u> (Subject to change)	
Textbook (Option of New, Used, Rent, eTextbook \$20.50 - \$95.70) New book at RRCC bookstore	\$83.35
NUA Uniform Patch	\$6.98
Background Check\Drug Test	\$63.00
Immunizations (depending on provider and number of immunizations needed) <u>approximate cost</u>	\$50.00
Burgundy Scrubs	\$30.00
Closed Toe, non-slip shoes (no clogs)	\$50.00
Wrist Watch with Second Hand RRCC Bookstore cost	\$24.98
Colorado State Exam	\$130.00
CPR/ BLS for Provider Certification	\$80-120 (Dependent upon provider)
(Approximate) Total Cost of the Program	\$1,569.54

If you have questions regarding how to pay for the program or if you would like to set up a payment plan, please contact the RRCC College **Cashier's Office** at **303-914-6222**.

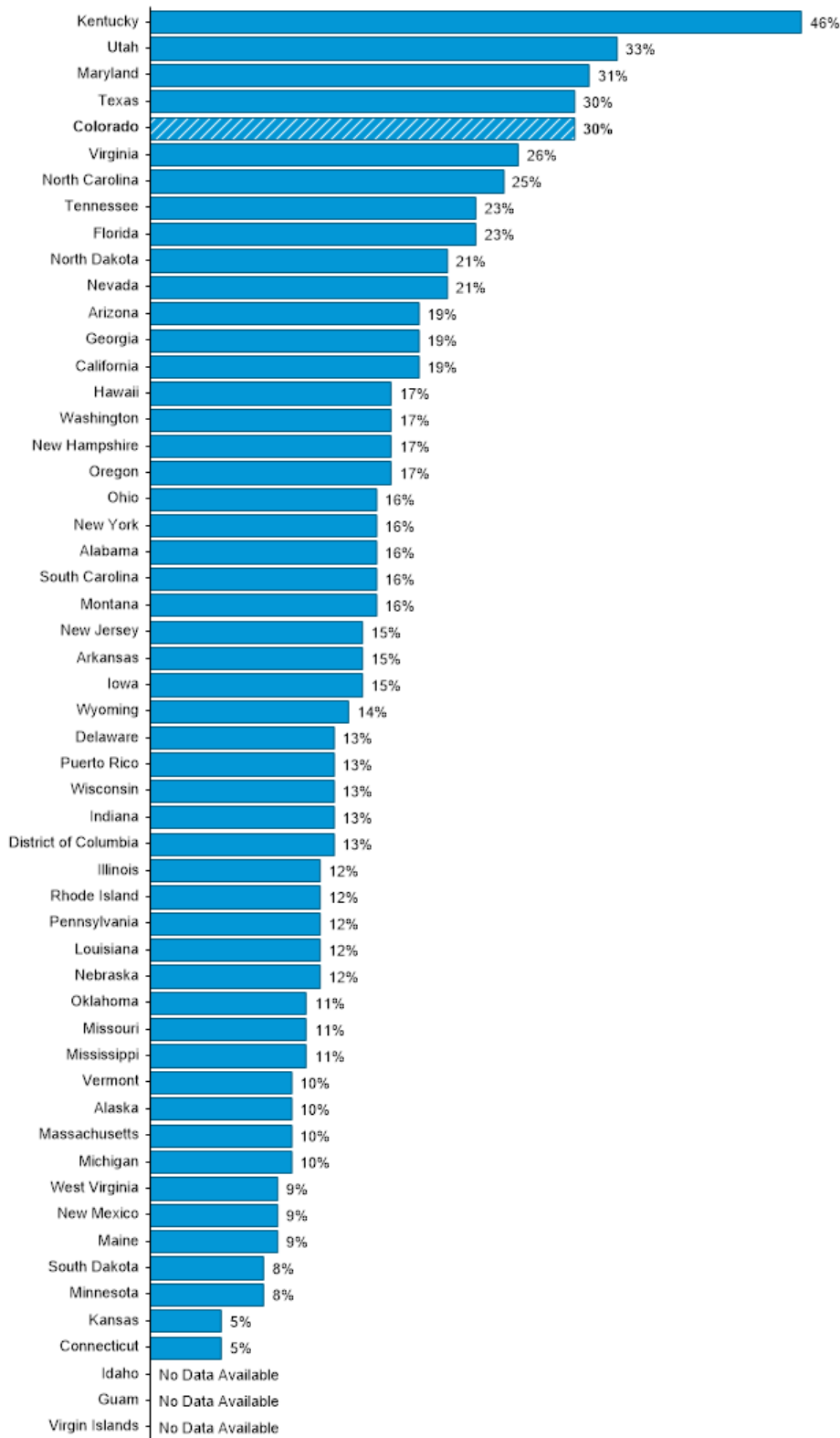
Projected 2024 Employment for Nursing Assistants in COLORADO



Projected Job Openings 2014-2024 for Nursing Assistants in UNITED STATES



Projected Employment, Percent Change 2014-2024 for Nursing Assistants in UNITED STATES



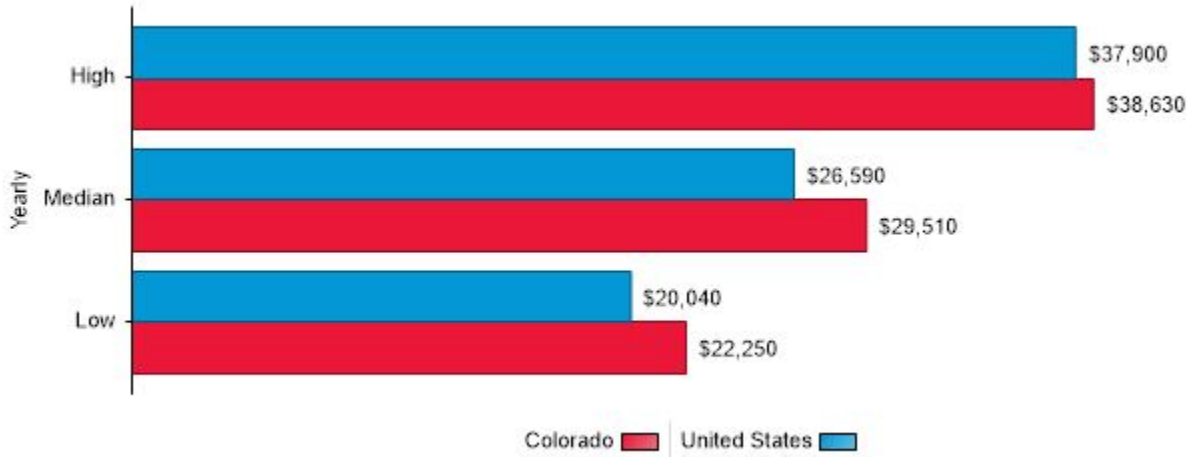
NURSING ASSISTANTS: COLORADO

Occupation Description

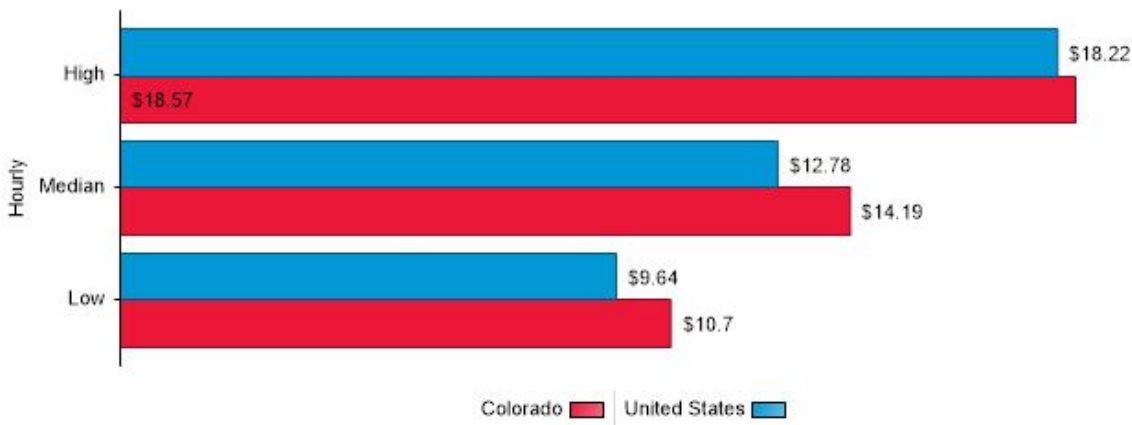
Provide basic patient care under direction of nursing staff. Perform duties such as feed, bathe, dress, groom, or move patients, or change linens. May transfer or transport patients. Includes nursing care attendants, nursing aides, and nursing attendants. Excludes "Home Health Aides", "Orderlies", "Personal Care Aides", and "Psychiatric Aides".

State and National Wages

Yearly Wage Chart



Hourly Wages



- High is the wage at which 90% of workers earn less and 10% earn more.
- Middle is the wage at which 50% of workers earn less and 50% earn more.
- Low is the wage at which 10% of workers earn less and 90% earn more.

State and National Trends

Location	Pay Period	2016				
		10%	25%	Median	75%	90%
United States	Hourly	\$9.64	\$10.80	\$12.78	\$15.08	\$18.22
	Yearly	\$20,040	\$22,470	\$26,590	\$31,370	\$37,900
Colorado	Hourly	\$10.70	\$12.40	\$14.19	\$16.62	\$18.57
	Yearly	\$22,250	\$25,790	\$29,510	\$34,570	\$38,630

National	Employment		Percent Change	Projected Annual Job Openings*
	2014	2024		
United States	1,492,100	1,754,100	18%	59,900

State	Employment		Percent Change	Projected Annual Job Openings*
	2014	2024		
Colorado	18,760	24,450	+30%	930

*Projected Annual Job Openings refers to the average annual job openings due to growth and net replacement.

National Data Source: [Bureau of Labor Statistics, Occupational Employment Statistics Survey](#)

State Data Source: [Colorado Labor Market Information](#)

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Monthly Installment Payment Plan

If you are taking at least four credits, you can sign up online for the Installment Tuition Payment Plan. You must enroll in the plan at the beginning of each semester that you would like to pay in installments. Monthly payments may be made using VISA, MasterCard, Discover, American Express, or by automatic withdrawal from a checking or savings account. There is a nonrefundable \$25 enrollment fee for each term in which you enroll. Returned payment charges apply for any payments returned by your bank. Check the website at <http://www.rrcc.edu/tuition/methods-of-payment> to familiarize yourself with the plan and to enroll. If you are under 18 your parent or legal guardian must sign.

When to Apply for the Payment Plan

Your tuition and fees will be divided into multiple payments depending upon when you sign up for the monthly payment plan. You must pay your balance due in full before registering for classes for the following term. Please be sure to keep your budgeted balance up-to-date with the payment plan processor and be sure to check your bill throughout the term to ensure your payments are correctly posted to your student account.

If you have questions please contact the Cashier's Office at **303.914.6222**.

cashiers.office@rrcc.edu

NURSING BACKGROUND CHECK MODIFICATION

The Colorado Community College System (“CCCS”) and the State Board for Community Colleges and Occupational Education authorize the nursing programs to conduct a background investigation of all student applicants. The clinical sites used in the nursing programs require background checks of all potential interns. The purpose is to maintain a safe and productive educational and clinical environment. New students who refuse to comply with the background investigation will not be allowed to enter a CCCS Nursing Program.

An Applicant will be disqualified from a CCCS nursing program based on the following guidelines:

- Must pass Urine for Drug Screen (UDS)
- Any violent felony convictions of homicide. (No time limit) • Crimes of violence (assault, sexual offenses, arson, kidnapping, any crime against an at-risk adult or juvenile, etc.) as defined in section 18-1.3-406 C.R.S. in the 7 years immediately preceding the submittal of application. • Any offense involving unlawful sexual behavior in the 7 years immediately preceding the submittal of application. • Any crime, the underlying basis of which has been found by the court on the record to include an act of domestic violence, as defined in section 18-6-800.3 C.R.S. in the 7 years immediately preceding the submittal of application. • Any crime of child abuse, as defined in section 18-6-401 C.R.S. in the 7 years immediately preceding the submittal of application. • Any crime related to the sale, possession, distribution or transfer of narcotics or controlled substances in the 7 years immediately preceding the submittal of application. • Any felony theft crimes in the 7 years immediately preceding the submittal of application. • Any misdemeanor theft crimes in the 5 years immediately preceding the submittal of application. • Any offense of sexual assault on a client by a psychotherapist, as defined in section 18- 3-405.5 C.R.S. in the 7 years immediately preceding the submittal of application. • Crimes of moral turpitude (prostitution, public lewdness/exposure, etc.) in the 7 years immediately preceding the submittal of application. • Registered Sex Offenders. (No time limit) • Any offense in another state, the elements of which are substantially similar to the elements of any of the above offenses. • More than one (1) D.U.I. in the 7 years immediately preceding the submittal of application.

If the investigation reveals information that could be relevant to the application, the designated individual responsible for background checks may request additional information from the applicant. The offense shall be reviewed on a case by case basis. Students who have successfully completed the terms of a deferred adjudication agreement will not be disqualified.

If any applicant feels the criminal background check is inaccurate, they may appeal the decision and request a review with the specific community college applied at. It is the applicant’s burden to produce substantial evidence that proves the crimes charged are incorrect.

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